

BENTON CONSOLIDATED HIGH SCHOOL
Benton, Illinois 62812
MINUTES OF ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
April 25, 2023

The Board of Education of the Benton Consolidated High School District #103 met in Special Organizational Session on Tuesday, April 25, 2023 at 5:03 P.M. in the Benton Consolidated High School Board Room.

1. DECLARATION OF CANVASS RESULTS FROM ELECTION AUTHORITY Election results were presented.

2. SEAT NEW BOARD MEMBERS-OATH OF OFFICE Robin LaBuwi administered the oath of office to Jay Copple, Jim Giacone, Mark Minor, and Stacia Sloan.

3. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

4. ROLL CALL Board members present: Shane Cockrum, Jay Copple, Jim Giacone, Marci Glover, Mark Minor, Robin LaBuwi, and Stacia Sloan.

Others present: Benjamin Johnson, Superintendent; Sean Docherty, Principal; Ronda Suver, Board Recording Secretary; Cole Buchanan, Student Council Representative; Mark Dyel, Robby Cockrum, and Mark Franklin, Community Members.

5. APPOINTMENT OF PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE Jay Copple made a motion to appoint Robin LaBuwi as president pro tempore. Jim Giacone seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried.

6. APPOINTMENT OF SECRETARY PRO TEMPORE Marci Glover made a motion to appoint Ronda Suver as secretary pro tempore. Shane Cockrum seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried.

7. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Election of President: Jay Copple nominated Robin LaBuwi for President. Marci Glover nominated Mark Minor for President. Nominations were closed.

Upon a roll call vote for Robin LaBuwi for President, members voted as follows: Shane Cockrum-no, Jim Giacone – no, Marci Glover-no, Mark Minor – no, Robin LaBuwi – Abstain, Stacia Sloan – no, and Jay Copple – yes.

Upon a roll call vote for Mark Minor for President, members voted as follows: Jim Giacone – yes, Marci Glover-yes, Mark Minor – yes, Robin LaBuwi – no, Stacia Sloan – yes, Jay Copple – no, and Shane Cockrum – yes. Mark Minor is elected Board President.

Election of Vice-President: Robin LaBuwi nominated Shane Cockrum for Vice-President. Shane Cockrum nominated Marci Glover for Vice-President. Nominations were closed.

Upon a roll call vote for Shane Cockrum for Vice-President, members voted as follows: Marci Glover-yes, Mark Minor – no, Robin LaBuwi – yes, Stacia Sloan – yes, Jay Copple – no, Shane Cockrum – yes, and Jim Giacone – no. Shane Cockrum is elected Vice-President.

Election of Secretary: Shane Cockrum nominated Marci Glover for Secretary. Hearing no further nominations, upon a roll call vote, members voted as follows: Mark Minor – yes, Robin LaBuwi – yes, Stacia Sloan – yes, Jay Copple – yes, Shane Cockrum – yes, Jim Giacone – yes, and Marci Glover – abstain. Marci Glover is elected Secretary.

8. APPOINT REPRESENTATIVE TO FRANKLIN-JEFFERSON SPECIAL EDUCATION

GOVERNING BOARD Jay Copple made a motion to appoint Robin LaBuwi as the representative to the Franklin-Jefferson County Special Education Governing Board. Jim Giacone seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried.

9. REVIEW/APPROVE BOARD MEETING TIMES/DATES Shane Cockrum made a motion to approve the board meeting times and dates as presented in Option 1. Jay Copple seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried. A copy of the meeting times and dates has been attached to and made a part of these minutes.

Shane Cockrum made a motion to reschedule the regular May meeting of the board of education to May 15, 2023 at 5:30 P.M. Jay Copple seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried.

10. DESIGNATE BANKS OF DEPOSITORY FOR DISTRICT FUNDS Jay Copple made a motion to designate People's National Bank as the depository for district funds and US Bank, State Bank of Whittington, and Legence Bank as depositories for investment of district funds. Jim Giacone seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried.

11. REVIEW/APPROVE TREASURER AND BOARD RECORDING SECRETARY STIPENDS Robin LaBuwi made a motion to approve the following treasurer and recording secretary stipends. Jay Copple seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried.

Board Treasurer Stipend \$2500

Board Recording Secretary Stipend \$2500

Longevity Bonus for Extra Duties

Years % of Base Stipend

0-3	0
4-6	10
7-10	15
11-15	20
16-20	25
21+	30

*Continuous service will be used to determine years of experience for the longevity bonus.

**Any break in service will result in forfeiture of years of experience for the longevity bonus.

12. APPOINT TREASURER AND BOARD RECORDING SECRETARY Marci Glover made a motion to appoint Ronda Suver as the board treasurer and the board recording secretary. Shane Cockrum seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried.

13. BOARD OF EDUCATION REMARKS President, Mark Minor called a student discipline hearing for May 4, 2023 at 5:30 P.M.

Jay Copple questioned board meeting attendance via telephone.

There will be a board member training sponsored by the Regional Office of Education at Café' Bloom on June 5, 2023.

Ron Giacone, Board attorney addressed the board regarding potential conflicts of interest.

14. ADJOURNMENT Robin LaBuwi made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:44P.M. Shane Cockrum seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried.

BOARD PRESIDENT

BOARD SECRETARY